

3.09 PREFERENCE.

- (A) **LOCAL PREFERENCE.** All procurements subject to the bid or quotation requirements of this Chapter shall be given a preference in the amount of 3% of the bid or quoted price (for purposes of bid tabulation and comparison) to local persons, firms, and corporations.
1. Local persons, firms, and corporations shall be defined as those whose principal place of business is located within the territorial boundaries of Osceola County, Florida.
 2. "Principal place of business located within the territorial boundaries of Osceola County" shall mean those businesses which have and maintain a resident office or other place of business within this County, whether denominated a main, home, branch, auxiliary, or affiliated office, at the time the bid or quotation is submitted.
 3. Local Vendor Certification must be completed before bid submittal in order to be valid. Certification shall include but not be limited to: (1) physical business/local address, (2) current occupational license showing that business is located in Osceola County, and (3) any additional information necessary to clarify company's compliance may be required. If a contract is being funded in whole or in part by assistance from a federal, state, or local agency that disallows Local Preference, the County shall adhere to those requirements by not applying this section.